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Penrose re-elected
Linda Penrose retained her seat on the Bay St. Louis-Waveland school board Saturday by an unofficial vote of 191 to challenger Arthur J. "Pete" Chapman's 165 votes.

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Gambling law changes possible if bill passes

BY TRACI BONNEY
House Bill 1597, passed Thursday, could make major changes in the state's gaming laws if approved by the Senate. The three main changes are 1) that people owning five percent or less of a gambling company's stock and people owning property that is leased to a gaming facility would not be required to be licensed by the State Gaming Commission; 2) that gambling vessels would be allowed to dock and operate in man-made harbors or inlets subject to the ebb and flow of the tide or in any navigable waterway in counties bordering on the Mississippi River; and 3) that the application fee for a gaming license would be increased from \$5,000 to \$50,000.

Senator Vic Frankiewicz called H.B. 1597 "a more virulent form" of failed house bills 1582 and 1598. He said he is concerned that the language in certain sections of H.B. 1597 may provide a "back door" for gambling operations that otherwise would not be allowed.

Those provisions exempting certain people (stockholders with less than five percent of the company's stock, and property lessors) from licensing, for example, could possibly allow a person with a criminal background to participate in a gambling operation, Frankiewicz said.

Human Services center to be dedicated today

Rep. Gene Taylor will be the guest speaker at the dedication of the new Hancock County Human Services Complex this afternoon at 2. Other speakers at the ribbon cutting and open house will include Wallace Bradley, welfare director for the Hancock County Department of Human Services; Darlene Underwood, home economist, and Randy Smith, county agent, for the Hancock County Cooperative Extension Service; and Dr. Robert Travnick, MPH, for the Mississippi State Department of Health. Board of Supervisors president Ronald Cuevas will give the welcome, introduce the speakers and make the closing remarks. Board vice president Michael Ladner will lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Conrad Mauffray will sing the National Anthem; Monsignor Gregory Johnson will give the invocation; and the Rev. Van Carpenter will give the benediction. The ribbon cutting and tour of the complex will follow the ceremony. Refreshments will be served in the Civic Center after the tour. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the dedication.



They're back

No, it is not a photo from the past, but one taken this week of a flock of pelicans with a group of seagulls along the beach in Bay St. Louis. Pelicans were once plentiful in the area before being wiped out by pesticides. Pelicans have returned on occasion to Hancock County's waters in recent years due to cleanup of the environment and restocking of the birds in neighboring Louisiana. (Photo by Thomas H. (Doc) Toups)

Heavy rains contribute to near-fatal accident

BY JACQUI COCHRAN
Several injuries, but no deaths, resulted from a three-vehicle accident on Hwy. 90 in Waveland Friday morning, according to Mississippi State Highway Patrolman Wilbert Myles. Myles reported that at 11:51 a.m. Friday he was called to the scene of an accident at Hwy. 90 and the entrance to Bayside Park.

He said, "Roman Wheeler, driving a black Lincoln, was eastbound on Highway 90 when Phillip Ledlow, driving a brown van, attempted to cross the highway into Bayside Park. Wheeler, unable to stop in time, hit Ledlow on the passenger side of the van, causing it to spin and smash into a small red Chevrolet which was on the opposite side of the highway waiting to turn east onto Highway 90 from the Bayside Park entrance." Myles said the collision caused several minor injuries, along with a broken knee to Jo Ann Falls, a passenger in the Lincoln.

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GUN FIRING ON BUS

Bay-Waveland School District transportation supervisor W.J. Cameron reported Thursday that a juvenile from Bay High School brought a .25 caliber gun aboard a bus Monday and accidentally discharged it while pointing it at the floor of the bus. No one was reported injured. "He probably wanted to show his friends the gun," said Cameron of why the boy may have had the weapon in his possession. Cameron said the boy claimed he thought the safety was in place when the gun discharged. The youth was one of the four juveniles arrested Tuesday in connection with a spree of burglaries throughout the Bay-Waveland area and the county, Cameron added. He has been tentatively expelled from school until a hearing before the Bay-Waveland School Board determines his status. He said the gun is believed to be stolen property from one of the homes burglarized.



(Echo staff photo by Jacqui Cochran)

Chevrolet and van at the scene of Hwy. 90 accident Friday

Former Bay St. Louis residents give message of faith, obedience

BY TRACI BONNEY
Faith, obedience and miracles — these were the central words in a talk given by ministers Ed and Ann Porter during their annual visit to Bay St. Louis. The Porters, directors of the Mustard Seed group care home in Mobile, Ala., for mentally and physically handicapped people 18 years and older, are former Bay St. Louis residents and one-time directors of the Harbor House, a home for troubled young women. The couple makes a trip to Bay St. Louis every year to visit friends and minister. To separate the Porters from their faith would be an almost impossible task. They have lived it out for many years, and their speech reflects a natural trust in and dependence on God. They met Monday morning at Henry and Bobbie Maggio's house with members of a Bible study group that gathers there each week. Along with the Porters were five residents of the Mustard Seed. Two of the men, K.J. and Chris, opened the meeting with two songs, the contemporary hit "People Need the Lord" and the Hosanna Integrity song "I Was Made to Praise You."

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White trial set for May 6

Kiln resident Travis B. White entered a "not guilty" plea to charges of kidnapping and capital murder Thursday at his arraignment in Circuit Court. White, 17, was indicted by a January grand jury in connection with the October 28, 1990, shooting death of Leon Howard (Wally) Wallace, 69, who operated a cab service in Hancock County. Following White's plea, a trial date of May 6 was set. In addition, a motion was granted for a psychiatric evaluation of White.

Part of Hancock St. temporarily closed

Hancock Street from Union to Bookter will be closed for an indefinite period for repairs, according to Mayor Edward Favre. He said the city closed the road when water from previous rains undermined the street and sidewalks, causing a cave-in. "It caved in Wednesday, and we went ahead and barricaded it. We want to get the road repaired, but we didn't want to start on it yet because we knew it was supposed to rain all weekend." Favre said the repair work should take three to five days to complete.

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Wed.	3:34 p. 2:52 a.		Sun.	7:44 p.	6:55 a.

PANCAKES
The St. Clare CYO is hosting a pancake breakfast today at 10 a.m. in the school cafeteria. At \$3, the menu includes pancakes, sausage, milk, orange juice and coffee. Money raised will help the CYO attend a local convention.

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CARRIE R. CHASTANT
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CLEVE REED
ELLA RUFFIN

MAY BERNIER
 Mrs. May Bernier, 82, of Pass Christian died Thursday, Feb. 28, 1991, in Pass Christian. The body was sent from Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis to Leitz-Bagan Funeral Home in New Orleans for services and burial.

CARRIE R. CHASTANT
 Mrs. Carrie Richard Chastant, 86, of Pearlinton died Thursday, Feb. 28, 1991, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Chastant was a native of New Orleans. She was a Presbyterian. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lester A. Chastant Sr.

Survivors include a son, John T. Hall of Many, La.; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at a later date. Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

FAY E. CLEMENT
 Mrs. Faye Elizabeth Clement, 90, of Pascagoula died Thursday, Feb. 28, 1991, at Plaza Nursing Center in Pascagoula.

Mrs. Clement was a native of Lumberton and a longtime resident of Pascagoula. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Pascagoula. She was preceded in death by her husband, Austin Leon Clement, and a daughter, Mary Turcotte.

Survivors include two daughters, Betty C. Grantham of Pascagoula, and Faye Whitworth of Louisville, Ky.; four sons, Austin S. Clement of Hattiesburg, Eugene Clement of Perkins, Robert A. Clement of Tucker, Ga., and Jack R. Clement of Palo Alto, Calif.; 21 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 5 until 9 p.m. Sunday at Moore Funeral Home in Hattiesburg. Funeral services are scheduled for 10

a.m. Monday at the funeral home. Dr. Clark McMurray will officiate. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery in Hattiesburg.

RUSSELL J. DAWSEY
 Russell Joseph Dawsey, 56, of Pearlinton died Thursday, Feb. 28, 1991, in Pearlinton.

A native of Log Town, he was a carpenter in the construction industry and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Mary S. Dawsey; two daughters, Ms. Evelyn R. Dawsey and Ms. Hollie L. Dawsey; four brothers, Robert "Jack" Dawsey, Malon "Buddy" Dawsey, Nolan "Putt" Dawsey and Howard Dawsey Sr.; and two sisters, Mrs. Vera Woods and Mrs. Ida Rayborn, all of Pearlinton.

Funeral services were Saturday at McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune. Burial was in Turtleskin Cemetery in Nicholson.

ELNORA M. HINTON
 Mrs. Elnora M. Hinton, 87, of Biloxi died Thursday, Feb. 28, 1991, in Biloxi.

A native of Wiggins and lifelong resident of Biloxi, she was born June 6, 1904. She was a member of Main Street Missionary Baptist Church of Biloxi.

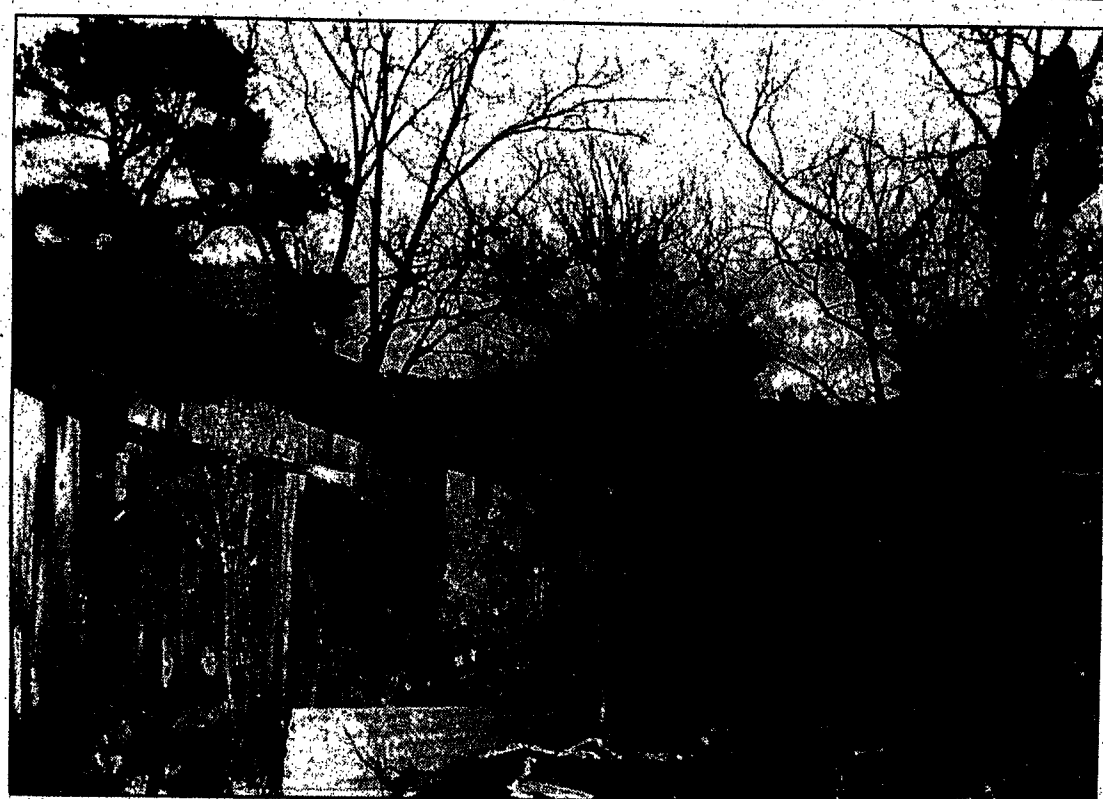
Survivors include a brother, Ruffin McLeod of Wiggins; and a sister, Caldonia "Doll" Sloan of Pass Christian.

Visitation is tonight, 5 to 9, at Dickey Bros.-Chambers Bros. Funeral Services in Biloxi. Services will be Monday morning at 11 at the funeral home, with burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Wiggins.

CLEVE REED
 Cleve Reed of Picayune died Thursday, Feb. 28, 1991, in Picayune.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete with Baylous Funeral Home in Picayune.

ELLA RUFFIN
 Ella Ruffin of Picayune died Friday, March 1, 1991, in Picayune. Arrangements are incomplete with Baylous Funeral Home in Picayune.



Tornado damage

A small tornado touched down in Clermont Harbor Friday afternoon during a bout of severe weather and heavy rain. In the photo above, metal sheeting hangs from a tree after the tornado struck the residence of Peter Lestelle. At left, Lestelle inspects damaged porch screening at his house.

Photos by
 Thomas H.
 (Doc) Toups

Puzzle sheets offered to Garfield readers

Children participating in the Garfield Reading Club, sponsored by the Hancock County Library System, are urged to go by the library and pick up a Garfield jumble puzzle sheet this week.

The Garfield Reading Club, which concludes March 30, is being sponsored by the library to encourage children and their parents to visit and use public library resources during the school year.

Participants are to visit the library at least five times during the program, check out books on their reading level and have their visitor's log stamped with Garfield's paw prints.

Certificates will be awarded on March 30 to those who have five paw prints on their visitor's log.

More information is available by calling the City-County Public Library at 467-5282, the Kiln Library at 255-1724, or the Waveland Library at 467-9240.

First Missionary Baptist plans March 4-8 revival

First Missionary Baptist Church, corner Sycamore and Third Streets, will host a spring revival beginning Monday, March 4.

The revival will continue nightly at 7:30 until March 8. Delivering the nightly ser-

Employment Service re-opens Wednesday

BY TRACI BONNEY
 Jobhunters, rejoice! The Mississippi State Employment Service Office is open again.

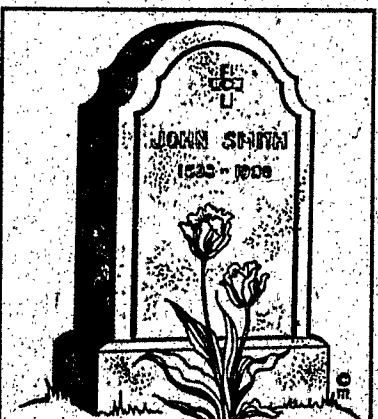
The local Employment Service office, closed last year due to funding cuts, will be open on a part-time basis at the new Hancock County Human Services Complex on Longfellow Road, according to county Chancery Clerk Mike Necaise.

Necaise said the office will be open Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Unemployment Insurance office will be open on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Employment Service

Office will use personnel already on staff at other local offices, Necaise said. He explained that it will be a full service office — those looking for jobs can put in applications, and those looking for employees can avail themselves of the office's services as well.

"The state office and the supervisors have worked really hard to get this office opened again," Necaise commented. "We're looking forward to the time when it can be open full time again."



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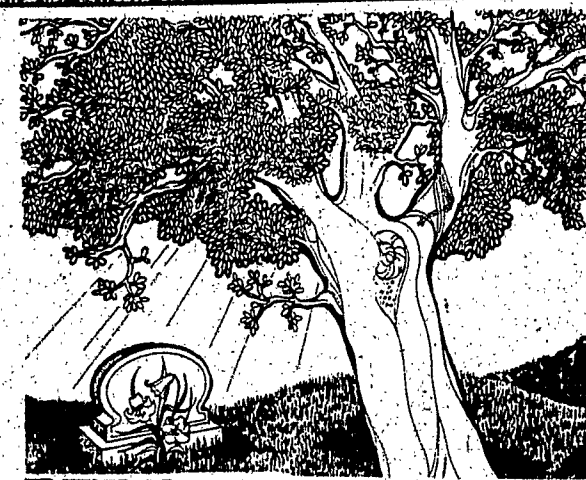
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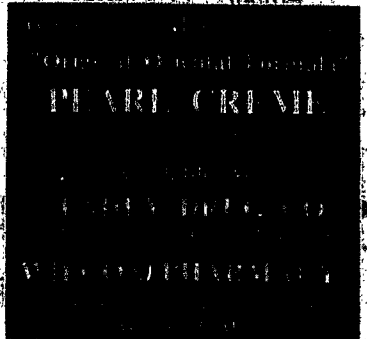
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New college admission standards bring ninth graders more courses

BY TRACI BONNEY
New admission standards adopted by the board of trustees of the Mississippi Institutes of Higher Learning will have a small effect on local students now in the eighth grade who plan to attend one of the state's

eight public universities. An additional two Carnegie Units will be required of members of the Class of 1995 who plan to continue their education in a Mississippi college. One extra unit is required as

an advanced elective, while the other is made up of a half-unit in social studies and a half-unit in computer applications. One of the two required elective units now must be either in foreign languages or world geography.

Still required for college preparatory students are four English units, three math and three science units. The social studies units were increased from 2 1/2 to three, and the advanced electives units were increased from one to two.

Dr. Betty Jones, administrative assistant for the Bay St. Louis-Waveland school district, said the new admissions standards are not very different from the higher standards for graduation adopted by the school board in 1990.

The only class not required at this time by the Bay St. Louis-Waveland district is the computer applications course.

"The only change the board would have to make in its policy is to add the computer course to the requirements. We will be in compliance with the new state standards before 1995," she said.

Jones added that she thinks the higher standards will one day be required for all students and not just those in college preparatory curricula.

Terrell Randolph, superintendent of education for the Hancock County school district, said 95 percent of the state's requirements are already in place in the county district.

He explained that the board increased the required number of units from 20 to 22 for the 1991-92 school year in order to strengthen the curriculum.

"This not only keeps us ahead of the state's requirements; it also allows us to expand our elective offerings."

The main changes for the county schools will be to make a computer course a requirement and to add world geography to the advanced elective course offerings, he said.

"We welcome the change. I think the change is going to challenge students even more than in the past. I think the colleges are going in the right direction."

Elections committee unanimously approves mail-in registration bill

Senate Elections Committee members gave unanimous approval to a bill to allow Mississippians to register to vote by mail.

The bill, which received extensive discussion and some amendments in the committee meeting, won overwhelming support from the House of Representatives on Feb. 14 in an 84-38 vote. Senate floor consideration is expected soon. Mail-in voter registration is practiced in 26 states.

"The Senate Elections Committee has taken a good bill and made it better," said Secretary

of State Dick Molpus, the state's chief elections officer. Molpus and a coalition of 15 organizations have been backing mail-in registration.

Voting to send the mail-in registration bill for consideration by the full Senate were committee members Hainon Miller, chairman of Greenville; Alice Harden, vice chairman of Jackson; and Hob Bryan of Amory. Glen Dewese of Meridian, Vic Frankiewicz of Bay St. Louis, Dick Hall of Jackson, Rick Lambert of Hattiesburg, Roger Wicker of Tupelo and Kenneth Williams

of Clarksdale.

During a Senate Elections Committee hearing on the bill Feb. 20, Tennessee's Secretary of State said mail-in voter registration has been used by thousands of that state's citizens who might never have registered using traditional methods.

"It works—without fraud," said Tennessee Secretary of State Bryant Millsaps. "The Tennessee experience with mail-in registration has been very, very good—superb." Tennessee has had mail-in voter registration since 1972.

Ducks, dinosaurs are topics of Bay, Waveland story hours

"Ducks" is the theme for the children's story at the City-County Public Library in Bay St. Louis.

Quick Quackers, The Number

10 Duckling and One Duck, Another Duck are books to be featured during the hour set for Wednesday, March 6 at 10:30 a.m.

Children will be playing a game called "Duck Duck Goose," and will be making a walking duck puppet.

"Dinosaurs" is the theme for the children's story hour at the Waveland Library Friday, March 8, at 10:30 a.m.

Dinosaur's Housewarming Party, A Dinosaur is Too Big, and If I Had A Dinosaur are books to be read during the hour. Children will be making rainbow silhouette paintings, and will see two finger plays about dinosaurs. They will also receive color sheets to take home.

Weekly children's story hours are held at the City-County Public Library and the Waveland Library from September through May.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group. Programs last approximately one hour.

Further information is available by calling Sandra Ladner at the City-County Library at 467-5282, or Karen Peoples at the Waveland Library at 467-9240.



New beauty salon

Jo Ann Hille, seated, owner and stylist of Images Hair Salon, recently opened a new shop on Highway 90, next to Seaford's Wheel Inn. Stylists Donna Nicaise and Peggy Rollins join Hille in offering haircuts and perms for the entire family. Special attention is given to children, who are shown cartoons while they are waited on. Images is open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Walk-ins and late appointments are available.

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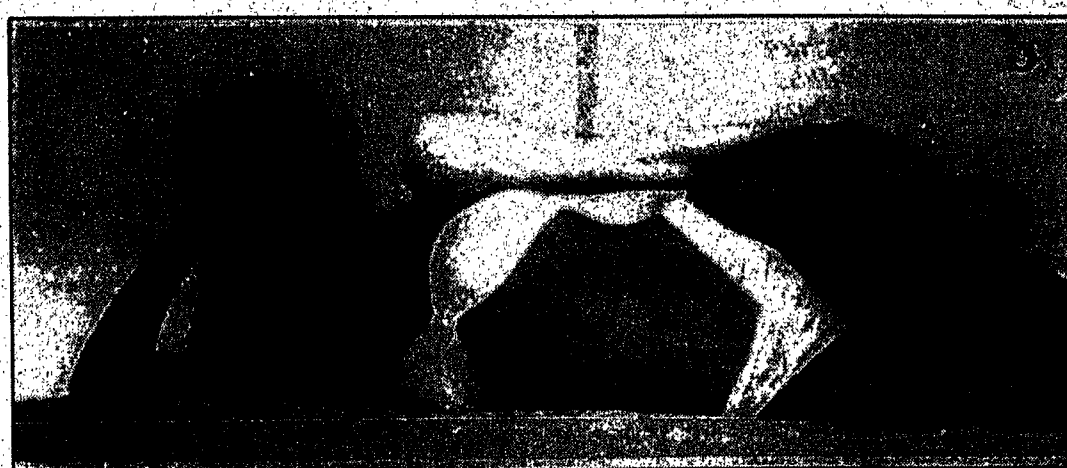
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"QUOTABLE QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

At 2 p.m. today the Hancock County Human Services Complex will be dedicated. The facility is located on Longfellow Drive in front of the Civic Center, near the National Guard Armory.

This long awaited facility, which has been talked about for so many years, suggested by numerous grand juries, wished for so many years by citizens, and begged for by folks such as Wallace Bradley, Welfare director, is a complex all citizens can be very proud of and say it is Hancock County's.

The new facility will house the Health Department, the Cooperative Extension Office, the Welfare Department, the Social Services Department and the Mississippi State Employment Service.

The building was designed and constructed under the watchful eye of Bay St. Louis Architect Michael Reeves.

I, myself, have been waiting for the ribbon cutting and open house to visit the new facility. I know it sure looks spectacular from the outside.

This is a Hancock County building and everyone is invited to the open house. I am hoping everyone will try to attend.

Remember the time, 2 p.m. today. I hope to see you there.

Hancock County Board of Supervisors heard some good news this week with the re-opening of the Mississippi State Employment Service for two days a week, according to Mike Nechise, Chancery Clerk.

Necaise reports efforts are underway to have the vital facility open five days a week and the supervisors will continue to pursue this endeavor.

The Employment Service will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursdays at the brand new Hancock County Human Services Complex on Longfellow Road in front of the Civic Center.

For some time folks seeking employment had to travel to Biloxi to register, as did employers seeking employees.

I am glad that our supervisors were successful in having the Employment Service return on a part-time basis because it is a much needed service. I will be looking forward to when it will return on a daily basis.

There are always folks out there looking for some type of a deal and in last Thursday's edition of The Echo, the Public Lands Division, Office of the Secretary of the State in Jackson offered to sell hundreds of parcels of land in Hancock County.

The half page advertisement listed the tax forfeited properties, which are located throughout the entire county. Interested persons are to contact the Public Lands Division for further information.

Thought I would mention the above in case some of you may be interested.



FROM THE CAPITOL

By Governor Ray Mabus

PEER committee shows reorganization can save

Our state government represents a multi-billion-dollar-a-year business. The fuel which powers that business is your tax dollars.

Because of that, we in state government must make sure that every cent we use is spent wisely and efficiently.

One way that we have made some positive steps to use your tax dollars more prudently is by reorganizing some of the agencies that are a part of our multi-billion-dollar-a-year business.

In the past week, proof of those savings have come from a study released by the Joint Legislative Committee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER). Some of the highlights of the report show that, as a result of reorganization:

—The number of state agencies has decreased from 97 to 85.

—There is an annual recurring savings of at least \$928,744.

—The reorganized departments showed improved service delivery and reduced costs.

To quote directly from the report, "PEER recognizes that the reorganization process is ongoing and that there is ample opportunity for individual agency heads to implement meaningful changes in administration and service struc-

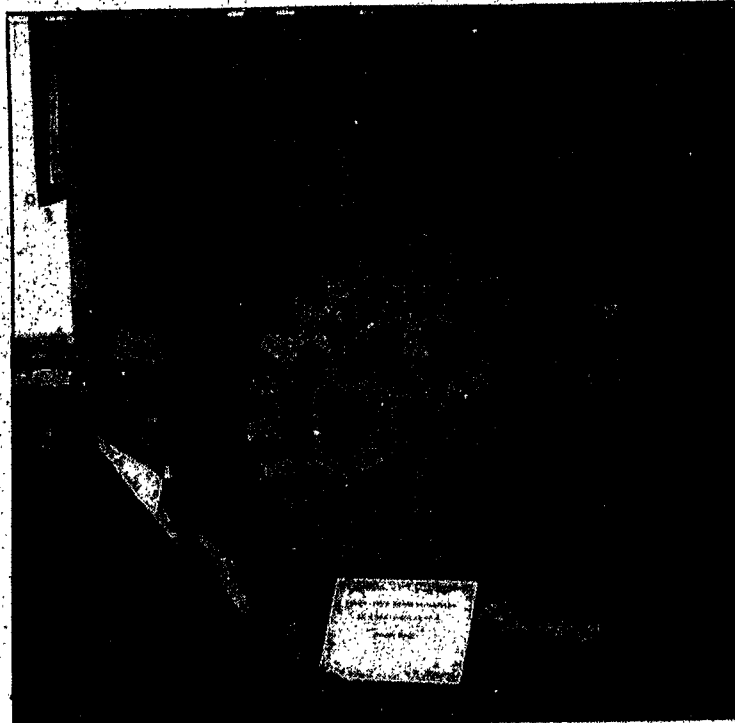
tures that will result in reduced costs and increased efficiency and effectiveness."

The report also listed some examples of where reorganization has saved money. One of the more striking illustrations was \$376,846 saved last year by reorganizing the Children's Rehabilitation Center into University Hospital. At the same time, more patients were treated and fewer staff were required.

Agencies included in reorganization are setting the standard for state government by doing something few other agencies can claim: Reorganized agencies have not requested more money for their budgets while other agencies have requested increases of 30 percent or more.

These changes are just the tip of the iceberg. Savings would be even greater if the budget process were simplified and reformed to establish clear priorities.

The conclusion of the report is undeniable: Reorganization is working, but we can't stop here, we must continue to make Mississippi's state government more streamlined. By doing that, we'll not only save taxpayer dollars, but we'll make our multi-billion-dollar-a-year business run smoothly, effectively and efficiently.



Appreciation

Janette L. (Strahan) White, right, accepts the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club's Teacher of the Month Award from Ellis C. Cuevas, club director, Wednesday. White is a second grade teacher at Gulfview Elementary. The Bay Rotary Club's education committee, with Steve Benevenuti as chairman, recognizes a teacher each month for outstanding contributions to the area's educational systems. (Echo staff photo by Randy Ponder)



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

County official resents criticism of road condition

To the Editor

In reply to your editorial on the 28th of February. Yes, Hancock County residents should be ashamed, they should be ashamed of this level of journalism!

Yes, the road needs repair. No, there is no political bickering!

The problem, the solution and the time table for repairs have all been discussed in open, public meetings of the Board of Supervisors, which supposedly are covered by reporters from the Echo. This is the second time an article criticizing road conditions in this county has been printed without anyone trying

to get the true facts.

I told the editor then, and I repeat now, that I will be glad to answer any questions on roads in the county.

I do not feel that the editorial is a fair representation of the facts and apparently very little, if any, effort was made to find out what the true situation was.

Perhaps if questions were asked to people who have all the information, editorial space would not be wasted, and problems that really need editorial attention could be addressed.

Sincerely,
Samuel A. Cuevas
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Ed Jurkowski
Bay St. Louis

Serviceman's parents proud of free membership in VFW

To the Editor,

As a mother of an 18-year-old soldier serving in Operation Desert Storm, I want the public to know how proud our family was when we received our son's "Spec. Edwin 'Paul' Koenig"

membership card to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. On behalf of our son and the 1355th, we thank Post 3253.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Koenig
Bay St. Louis

The power of prayer helped guide us to victory

Dear Editor,

Never before in the history of man have we been such a part of a world community as we are today.

Many of us were sitting at supper when the first guns were fired. We watched via TV, history in the making. We were again at war.

In a world where wrong seems right and the guilty go free, as the innocent are punished, peoples of all nations united in prayer. Our President and world leaders called for prayers; people responded.

Each to his own prayer closet, regardless of national origin or color, met in Houses of Prayer and joined in prayer for peace and safety for our warriors.

Let us take a moment to recognize that our Father still hears our prayers; an aggressive campaign by the Allies, where the loss of life and property was so unbelievably low; thousands laying down arms without firing a shot; buildings left intact that could have easily been destroyed.

We have witnessed miracles that even the unbeliever cannot explain. Let us recognize that the hand of God guided us and protected us as we gained victory.

We should declare a Day of

Victory celebration to recognize that truly the hand of God was with us, and thanksgiving to our Lord should be on all lips.

He could have easily turned His back on His wayward children, instead He was merciful and loving, hearing our united prayers, and responding. Let us again unite in prayer. Before we return to our daily chore of living in a troubled world, let us send a united 'thank you' to the God who loves us enough to hear our prayers.

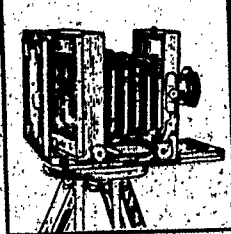
Let us not forget lessons learned in the last few weeks. Our flag still flies over a free country and in all parts of the world with respect.

Brothers and sisters, regardless of color, national origin or religious affiliation can fight side by side for the common good.

Petty differences can be set aside as we walk together for common goals. A world community, caring for one another. Everyone a part, even as just a prayer partner. United prayer is very powerful.

The Lord has taught us a valuable lesson. Let us not easily forget. Join with me in saying, "Thank you, Lord."

Sincerely,
Beverly Albe
Waveland



From the ECHO ARCHIVES

By Ellis Cuevas

MARCH 1, 1981

—The Krewe of Triton, a carnival organization composed primarily of Hancock County businessmen, will stage its seventh annual Mardi Gras parade on Tuesday with some 70 units. J.D. (Big John) Rutherford, former Hancock County Chancery Clerk and retired tax consultant, is this year's King Triton VII.

—George Dale, Mississippi Commissioner of Insurance, spoke recently at the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club and also addressed an economics class at Bay Senior High.

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MARCH 3, 1966

—Steps to curtail some of the dog population explosion in Waveland were directed by the mayor and board of aldermen Tuesday night. Starting March 15, the town is going to enforce strictly Ordinance 124 which provides for impounding all dogs running at large without muzzles and up-to-date rabies vaccination tags.

—NASA's plans for Mississippi Test Facility and how Hancock County can best serve itself and the site are to be considered at a mass meeting sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce within the next two weeks. The proposal for such an informative gathering was advanced to the chamber's board of directors at its February meeting Monday night by Leo Seal Jr., president of Hancock Bank.

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FEBRUARY 28, 1941

—The Bay High debating team, composed of Mary Kittrell, Betty Lee Mitchell, Steele Ansley and Dorothy Arendale, under the direction of Miss Bessie Givens, won the Gulf Coast Regional Championship, at Gulf Park College, Friday, February 7. In the district meet, held at Mississippi Southern College in Hattiesburg February 14, after winning the first bracket defeating Demonstration High and Crystal Springs, the Bay High debating team competed with Gulfport for the Championship. Both Bay High and Gulfport competed at the state contest in Jackson on February 21. In the final competition Granada and Bay High were in the very last finals. Granada finished first and Bay High second in the state competition.

—On last Friday night, all Bay St. Louis paid homage to their majesties the King and Queen of the annual Carnival Ball held in the auditorium of St. Joseph Academy in a brilliant setting and with a vast throng witnessing the beautiful spectacle. Mr. Leo W. Seal Sr., president of the Hancock Bank, reigned as king and Mrs. Marion J. Wolfe, wife of Dr. Marion J. Wolfe Sr., was his queen, and were one of the handsomest couples presiding on the royal seat.

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An examination for applicants for postmaster at Kiln, this county, will be held at the Bay St. Louis post office, under United States civil service rules. This is for a fourth class post office. The compensation at the Kiln Post Office for the last fiscal year was \$532. Receipt for applications close March 9, 1941. Applicants must have reached their 21st birthday and not their sixtieth birthday.

MARCH 4, 1916

—For the first time in its history, Bay St. Louis is the proud possessor of a basketball team which is the undisputed champion of the whole South amongst the prep-schools. Not once during the past season did the little St. Stanislaus team come anything near losing a game against prep-schools and went out of its class when it defeated the strong Y.M.C.A. team of New Orleans, which team by the way, is making a runaway race of the senior basketball league in New Orleans. St. Stanislaus was only defeated twice this season, each time by Tulane University of New Orleans, which outweighted our boys by more than thirty pounds to the man. The opinion of such men as Coach Shayngnessy of Tulane, L. diBenedetto, Sec'y, A.A.U., Ed. Watts, official A.A.U. referee, Coach Tanguis, New Orleans Y.M.C.A., Coach Roehm, N.O. Boy's High and several newspapermen in New Orleans is that this little team of ours was not only the most perfect little machine playing basketball in Dixie, but Shaughnessy and Tanguis who are from the North claim that they would back the S.S.C. boys to beat any team in the United States of their weight. Members of the S.S.C. squad are Nat. Tyler, center, team captain; Louis Spori, guard; Wilbert, forward; Shirer, forward; Louis Ros, guard; and Hassinger, forward. In nine games Stanislaus scored 487 points against their opponents' 191.

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FEBRUARY 29, 1896

—Politics in New Orleans are waxing warm, and although prize fighting is prohibited in the Crescent City, ring fights are in full blast.

—A petition has been circulated among the voters of the city to be presented to the board of mayor and aldermen next Saturday, asking that a license be granted Mr. Pieri to retail spirituous vinuous liquors. We understand Mr. Pieri will occupy the building of Mr. L. Olivari, formerly known as the Eagle Wing Exchange.

The Republicans of Hancock County met at the courthouse in Bay St. Louis last Saturday and elected delegates to the State Convention to be held in Jackson next Wednesday, the 4th. John R. Lynch was unanimously endorsed as and recognized as the party leader. The delegates chosen are Louis J. Piernas, Joseph Graves, E. Graves, E.C. Gardebled, John L. Collins, Peter Benoit, A.E. Perry and A.E. Maxon.

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The round trip fare for riding the excursion boat from Gulfport is \$11 for adults and \$5 for children ages 3-10. The trip takes approximately 70 minutes to reach Ship Island. Children under three ride free of charge.

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Chairs and umbrellas are available for rent. Ship Island is also the location of Fort Massachusetts, a historic brick fortification. Persons planning to visit are reminded that glass containers are prohibited on the island.

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Coast soccer standouts

Coastwide soccer competition at the Coca-Cola sponsored "Great Day of Soccer" yielded several local winners. From left are Lindy Heitzmann, 9th place, U-12 Girls; Richard Watson, 3rd place, U-16 Boys; and Kristy Heitzmann, 5th place, U-19 Girls. Not pictured is Chad Patton, 2nd place, U-14 Boys. Hundreds competed in five events at Milner Stadium in Gulfport, with winners honored at Gulfport High School auditorium Feb. 8.

Louisiana to host richest turkey calling contest

Turkey hunters and sportsmen from across the nation will be making tracks to Louisiana on March 9 to visit St. Joseph, the third annual Louisiana Wild Turkey Festival and the richest Wild Turkey Calling Contest.

The Tara Bayou State Open and the Louisiana State Championship Wild Turkey Calling Contest as it has been named by festival organizers will be attracting turkey callers from all sections of the country to compete for over \$3,000 in cash and prizes.

Scheduled to be on "Turkey Day 91," Saturday, March 9, callers will be gobbling to the limit of five pre-determined contest calls, with the highest and lowest scores being eliminated by the five-man judging panel. All rules and regulations are set according to the National Wild Turkey Federation, which sanctions the annual event.

Winners of the Tara Bayou State Open will qualify for over \$3,000 in cash and prizes with five different places being awarded. Winners of the state championship will qualify for \$350 in cash and prizes with three places being awarded. The winner of the state championship will also automatically qualify for the NWTF Grand Nationals. Callers wishing to participate can register in advance or they day of the event.

Sponsoring this year's con-

test is Tara Wildlife Management Inc., Resources and Land Partnerships, Willow Point, Invisible Hunter and Outdoor Outlets. These five sponsors have added a special touch to this year's event by contributing two, three-day guided turkey hunts at the sportsman's dream location of Willow Point near Vicksburg.

One of the Turkey Hunter Dream hunts will be auctioned off to high bidder on Friday, March 8 at the Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation annual convention and benefit auction at the River Park Hotel in Natchez.

The second hunt will be raffled by Louisiana Federation during the Turkey Festival. Purchasers of the "Turkey Hunter's Dream" tickets will have a one in 500 chance of winning the popular three-day guided turkey hunt at Willow Point.

As with the annual festival, funds from the Tara Bayou State Open and the Louisiana State Championship Calling Contest will be used to promote the Wild Turkey and to protect its future for sportsmen nationwide.

It's easy to see why the nation's hunters and sportsmen are "making tracks" to be in St. Joseph on Saturday, March 9

and take part in the Tara Bayou State Open and the Louisiana State Championship.



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In terms of growth, the three mergers finalized in 1990 are certainly of major consequence.

The first occurred on June 4th, with the purchase of the \$100,000,000 Metropolitan National Bank which greatly improved our ability to serve customers in the Biloxi, D'Iberville and Ocean Springs area.

On June 15th, our position in Pearl River County was further strengthened with the acquisition of the Poplarville Branch of The Unifirst Bank for Savings resulting in an additional \$7,500,000 in deposits.

The bank's first out-of-state venture occurred on August 2nd, in a "clean bank" purchase of the

\$350,000,000 American Bank and Trust Company of Baton Rouge, Louisiana from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The favorable terms of the transaction enabled us to "pick and choose" many of the assets owned by the American Bank. We were able to select acceptable liabilities and adjust rates of interest that were "above the market".

Of all the mergers during the past twenty years, this one by far, has the most favorable opportunities to effect significant "economies of scale", foremost in occupancy expense and data processing. This move also provided us with immediate access to an out-of-state market that is poised for growth.

We were also pleased that we experienced no significant customer loss during any of the mergers.

More Potential...

The fact that we were able to grow and remain strong under the prevailing conditions is due to the support of nearly 150,000 loyal customers and the untiring efforts of our staff and board members. It was your faith and trust that made 1990 a success and we thank you.

Finally, we look forward to 1991 with optimism and enthusiasm remembering that problems are only opportunities in disguise. At the same time, we pledge to you that we will continue to steer a conservative course as we have done for the past 91 years.



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Purim: the story of Queen Esther

By Louis S. Abrams

On the eve of February 28, Jewish people from throughout the world will gather in their synagogues to hear the story of Esther of the Old Testament.

King Ahasuerus was not the rightful heir to be King of Persia. However, he was the wealthiest and most powerful man in the kingdom—a kingdom of 127 captured nations.

To further enhance his power, Ahasuerus married the granddaughter of King Nebuchadnezzar, who destroyed the Holy Temple of Solomon in Jerusalem.

However, because of a decree by King Cyrus of Persia about 550 BCE (before the Christian Era), this Temple was being rebuilt. There was a condition—the Jews could not rebuild the fortress walls.

The enemies of the Jews, the Samaritans (unholy Jews unacceptable to the honor of rebuilding the Temple) and the Agagites united in telling untruths to King Ahasuerus that the Jews were building a fortress. The building of the Temple was stopped!

However, the king always regretted this because he sat upon a throne, a copy of King Solomon's. Why a copy?

It seems that King Solomon's throne was one of gold, jewels, and golden animals. There were two animals on each step up to the throne seat—one on each side. As King Solomon mounted the six steps, the animals put

out their foot to ease his climb.

However, when King Pharaoh-necho of Egypt took this throne to Egypt, he was knocked off as he tried to reach the seat. He achieved his name, Nechoh, meaning lame.

The other kings, likewise, were thrown off by the golden animals and were unable to use



it. Ahasuerus had his made in Egypt, a close copy.

King Ahasuerus moved the capital of Persia from Media to Shushan. In celebration, he held a 180-day feast.

He also had a feast for all the people of Shushan that lasted seven days. He invited leaders from all 127 countries united as Persia. Jews were among these.

However, Mordecai, a famous Jewish leader, asked the Jews to refuse. Some did not and were shocked to see upon the King's table vases from the Holy Temple in Jerusalem.

Haman, our villain, was responsible for the invitations to the Jews as he hoped that, by attending, the Jews would eat non-Kosher food; their God would become angry; the Jews would be annihilated! True, God was angry, but not all Jews had attended.

At this famous feast, Ahasuerus bragged about his wife, Vashti. He was persuaded to bring her forth so all could see her beauty. Vashti refused!

Humiliated and angry, he asked the leaders what punishment to give. Only Haman spoke up and suggested that Vashti be executed—others thought removing her from her crown, lands, homes, etc. was sufficient. The Bible states the latter as being the punishment carried out. Thus, Persia needed a new queen.

All the virgins of Persia were brought to the palace. Esther (Haddasah in Hebrew) was an orphan, the cousin of Mordecai, who raised Esther. She, too, was led before the king.

All these ladies were offered decorations, clothes, makeup—whatever they desired. Esther requested nothing! Her inner beauty shown and Ahasuerus chose her.

Mordecai asked that she keep her Jewish affiliation secret until a time when he felt she would need it to save her people.

It is said that many years before, Mordecai had been chosen to represent the Jews before the court of King Cyrus; Haman

was to plead before this king for the Samaritans.

Both needed provisions for the long desert trip from Jerusalem to Media. Haman ate all his immediately, but Mordecai rationed his. Haman begged Mordecai to give him food.

At first, Mordecai refused. Then he reconsidered.

Mordecai gave food to Haman, but Haman had to write on the bottom of Mordecai's shoe, (there was no parchment or paper). "I, Haman, the Agagite, have sold myself to Mordecai as his slave in consideration of bread." This humiliation was never forgotten by Haman.

When Haman was appointed prime minister, the king commanded that all bow to Haman. Mordecai refused as Haman wore an idol. When necessary, Mordecai only had to raise his shoe.

Haman was determined to rid Persia of all Jews. He, thus, had two decrees, signed by the king, authorized. One said that a certain people would be massacred on the 13th day of Adar.

The second decree told who these people were—the Jews—to be read the 13th day of Adar.

Mordecai had saved the king from poison and was promoted as representative of the Jews at court. Mordecai learning of these decrees, bade his cousin, Esther, to intercede. First, Esther required that for three days all Jews in the kingdom should fast and pray.

Mordecai wore sackcloth and ashes as in mourning. At the end of the three days, Esther went before the king, unbidden—punishable by death if the king did not hold up his scepter. The scepter was raised!

Esther invited the king and Haman to a banquet that day. The king accepted, but Esther would not state her wishes. She invited them to another banquet the next day at which she would tell the king her needs.

At the second banquet, Esther told the two men that she was a Jewess; that Haman had issued decrees against her people; and that Haman had constructed a gallows on which to hang Mordecai. The king immediately ordered Haman hung on the gallows!

However, the two decrees had to stand. In order to save her people, a third decree was issued by the king, saying that the Jewish people could stand and fight any enemies who came forward on the 13th day of Adar, to kill them as the first

decree had stated.

The Jews could slay all in each town and hamlet who would assault them. The king ordered sentenced to death by the Jews all those wicked and cruel enemies who had revealed themselves as such. 75,000 would-be murderers were executed and 500 more in the actual city of Shushan. All ten of Haman's sons were killed on his gallows.

Mordecai was appointed prime minister of Persia and the Jews lived under King Ahasuerus in peace—thanks to Queen Esther.

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Bay High Pepsi Students

Bay High January Pepsi Students of the Month are, seated from left, Kelly Oliver, 12th grade; Troy Lee, 11th grade; and Angel Favre, 10th grade; standing, Amanda Francabandera, ninth grade; Michael Perniciaro, eighth grade; and Luke Weems, seventh grade.

MILITARY MENTION

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Tuesday, March 5 at 1:00pm
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At this final session, Phillip Sedrish, MD, Rheumatologist, will talk about arthritis, its attendant problems and answer questions. Course will be repeated in the fall.
Registration: 646-5127.

MAR 5/6

Care for the Caregiver
Tuesday, March 5 at 7:00pm
or Wednesday, March 6 at 2:00pm
Slidell Center for Psychotherapy
Caregivers must find ways to replenish their energy levels. Robert DeBrandt, RN, Director of Nurses at NorthShore Psychiatric Hospital will present suggestions at this timely program. Registration: 646-5500.

MAR 6

LaLeche League - Breastfeeding Support
Wednesday, March 6 at 1:00pm
NSRMC Camellia Room

The Art of Breastfeeding is the topic this month; the discussion will be led by Renell Dore. Women attending for the first time will receive a free "New Mother" packet. Registration: 641-3330.

MAR 7

Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Update
Thursday, March 7 at 7:00pm
NS Clinic Two, Suite 201

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Reflections

On Life

By Father Jerome
LeDoux, SVD

Poor God!

"I think he is wrong in all his assumptions about what would happen if it came to war, God forbid."

Those fateful words of U.S. President George Bush came shortly after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz had refused to accept an eleventh-hour letter from Bush to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The very fact that the letter was never shown to Hussein cast a pall of gloom over the entire world.

For his part, Hussein responded in kind, invoking God's name as readily as Bush did: "Should the Americans become embroiled, we will make them swim in their own blood, God willing."

The most troubling aspect of these and all the war statements being tossed around is that people in the highest places on earth are clothing themselves in the mantle of the highest Person anywhere in heaven or in the universe.

Obviously, they reason, a little God-talk never hurt anyone, especially when there is a

need to soften the agonizing, bloody prospects of war.

Or does it not hurt? Calling on the same God under such conditions smacks strongly of simply using the infinite holiness, truth and justice of God to camouflage whatever ugliness, hypocrisy, greed and injustice there may be in the course of a war. In short, it seems gross, crass, completely repulsive.

Poor God! God is frequently used in an ostensibly pious way by churchgoers who want the deity to see things their way by dovetailing the divine will with their own.

Churchgoing or not, belligerents also try to get God to see things their way, even though their way smacks of the Geneva-Conference-sanctioned butchery of fellow humans in the games of war.

When it comes down to justifying or validating any attitude toward just or unjust war, or any strategy or means to be employed in war, why not go to the top? Why not take refuge in the Authority from whom there

is no recourse?

Also, during the prosecution of a war, it helps to call on the deity, thus reassuring everyone that God will help us, not our enemies.

One president's designation of a particular Sunday as a day of prayer for peace is countered by the other's constant public poses in attitudes of prayer Muslim-style.

Of course, this war-time God-talk is nothing new. All people of every century have indulged in the same kind of divine banters. During World War II, most of us here in the United States, strongly convinced of the justice of our cause, kept saying, "God is on our side."

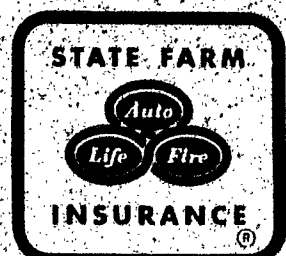
Eventually, a poorly educated heavyweight named Joe Louis set the record straight: "No, we are on God's side!"

The trouble is, both opponents in the war are singing the same tune: "God is on our side!" To the Iraqis, this means that the conflict is a "jihad," a holy war. The Allied Coalition, on the other hand, refers to it as a

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Porters

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Singing praises

Residents of the Mustard Seed in Mobile sing "Jesus Loves Me" at a Bible study meeting Monday in Bay St. Louis. From left are Ronald, Steve, John, K.J. and Chris. (Echo staff photo by Traci Bonney)

Ed Porter spoke first, relating several incidents in which the Porters' faith was tested, including a need for a way to make payments for the group house on time, which was met with an unexpected check for \$1,000 in November; and a prayer for increased exposure for the ministry, which was answered with a request that the group appear on ACTS, a Christian television station in Alabama.

Ed said all Christians should rely on and give credit to God for meeting their needs. "With us, with these men, that's the way it is; we're totally dependent on him."

Ann Porter spoke next, discussing "the other side of the coin," obedience.

She told of an incident where she felt God direct her to do

something and she promised to do it, but got busy with other things and forgot about it. The next day in her prayer time, she said she heard the Lord tell her he couldn't hear her because she had not done what she'd been directed to do.

She said she immediately repented of it, and did what she'd been told the day before.

Ann explained that that kind of obedience, coupled with the faith Ed spoke of, is what opens the doors for miracles in a Christian's life. It also is what she and her husband want people to see in their ministry.

She said, "When people come to the Mustard Seed, when they get blessed, it's because the presence of the Lord is there, not because Ed and I are there, but the presence of God. That's what we want people to see, Jesus in us."

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Sedrish, is board certified in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics. Over the years, her training is successfully completed. She then begins an additional two to three year training program (called a "fellowship") in rheumatology, concentrating on the diagnosis and treatment of only the conditions known as arthritis and connective tissue diseases.

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Bay Garden of the Month

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmoe Gibbens, 111 Citizen Street, was selected Bay St. Louis Garden of the Month for February by the Bay-Waveland Garden Club. (Photo by Janet McQueen)

Pass Christian Garden Club

The Pass Christian Garden Club will meet Thursday, March 7 at 11 a.m. at the Hancock Bank Annex, Scenic Drive.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. E. N. (Betty) Throop of Gulfport, a national accredited flower show judge and past president of the Gulfport Garden Club and Beach Garden Society.

Hostesses will be Mrs. Harry Bowes and Mrs. Jean Moreland.

Members are encouraged to bring a plant for a "plant swap."

The Pass Christian Annual Flower Show will be at the Hancock Bank Civic Center, 2-5 p.m., March 21.

For further information, call Mrs. Warren L. Schulz, president, 452-4092.

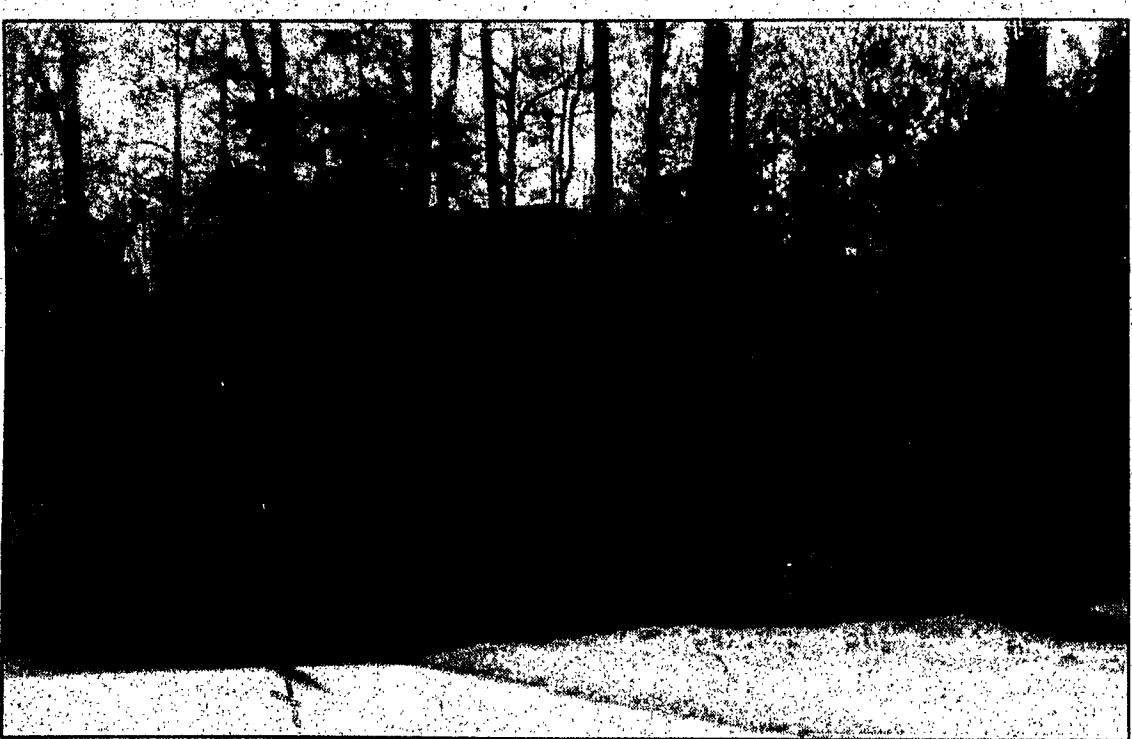
Medical Assistants

Harry Wheeler of Mississippi Vocational Rehabilitation was guest speaker at the Feb. 21 meeting of Coast Counties Medical Assistants held at Paradise Cafe in Biloxi.

Wheeler, supervisor for a three-county area, explained the services offered by Vocational Rehabilitation along with the eligibility conditions and the goals of the agency. Vocational Rehabilitation is 80 percent federally funded and 20 percent state funded.

The next meeting of Medical Assistants will be Thursday, March 21, 6:30 p.m. at Paradise Cafe. Tim Krachawsky of Gulf Coast Physical Therapy will be guest speaker.

For further information and/or reservations, call Gayle Grantham, 864-6244, no later than March 18.



Waveland Garden of the Month

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Barrett, 123 Lafitte Drive, Waveland, was chosen Garden of the Month for February by the Bay-Waveland Garden Club. (Photo by Janet McQueen)

Public Notices

PUBLIC HEARING BAY ST. LOUIS CITY COUNCIL

The Bay St. Louis City Council will hold a public hearing Wednesday, March 13, 1991, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Second Street, to consider the application for rezoning of the following described property:

As a point of beginning, an iron pin located on the Northeast corner of the intersection of Boulog and Blum Streets, thence North along the East right-of-way line of Boulog Street for 120.0 feet to an iron pin which is the point of beginning of this property, thence North along the East right-of-way line of Boulog Street for approximately 1230 feet to the centerline of abandoned "B" (Ninth) Street, thence East along the centerline of abandoned "B" (Ninth) Street for approximately 235.7 feet to a point; thence South for approximately 198.0 feet to an iron pin; thence West for 235.7 feet to the point of beginning, containing a total of 1.47 acres, more or less.

The above described property includes all of Lots 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and part of lots 10, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, and 47 as well as part of "B" (Ninth) Street abandoned.

All being in accordance with the plat of Bay St. Louis Land and Improvement Company's Subdivision of part of the Bay St. Louis Land and Improvement Company's First Addition to the City of Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Mississippi, made by Leland J. Henderson, Surveyor, and dated April 27, 1897, and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

The application for rezoning has been filed by Paul Vegas requesting the above described property be rezoned from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-3 (Highway Commercial). All interested parties are urged to attend.

Michael R. Cuevas
Clerk of Council
2-24; 3-3; 3-10-91

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
ELDEN G. GRACE, JR., ET AL., PLAINTIFFS
vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF ELDEN G. GRACE, DECEASED, DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS
CAUSE NUMBER 21,990

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF ELDEN G. GRACE, DECEASED.

You have been made a defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Elden G. Grace, Jr., Mary Evelyn Grace Newell and Loretta Grace Vandemolen, alleging that they are the sole and only heirs at law of Elden G. Grace, deceased, and seeking the adjudication of the same. You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to David Michael Nease, Sr., Attorney for the Plaintiffs, whose address is Post Office Box 2006, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) days after the 17th day of February, 1991, which is the date of the first publication of this summons. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 10th day of February, 1991.

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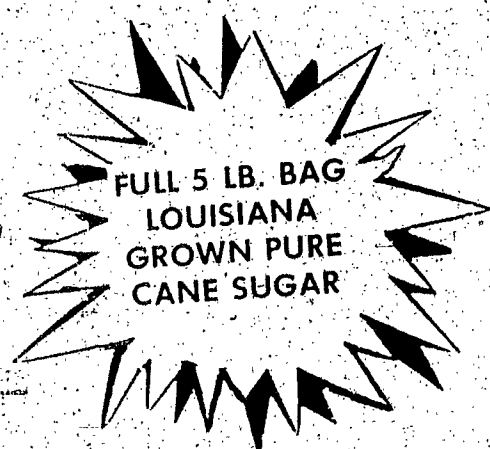
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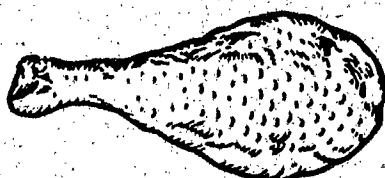
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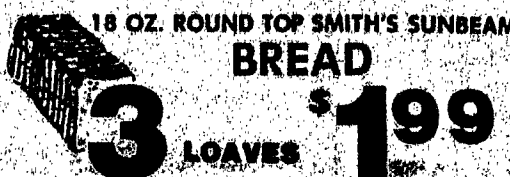
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Fruit Juice, Cinnamon Toast, Buttered Grits, Milk.

Tuesday
Banana, Cereal, Buttered Toast, Jelly, Milk.

Wednesday
Orange Juice, Sausage Biscuit, Milk.

Thursday
Fruit Juice, Muffin, Buttered Grits, Milk.

Friday
Orange Slices, Scrambled Eggs, Buttered Toast, Jelly, Milk.

LUNCH

Monday
Steak Sandwich with Chips, Stack of Trimmings, Buttered Corn, Fruit Salad, Milk.

Tuesday
Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, Mixed Vegetables, Garden Salad, Hot Roll, Carrot Cake, Milk.

Wednesday
Hamburger, French Fries, Stack of Trimmings, Baked Beans, Oatmeal Cookie, Milk.

Thursday
Fried Chicken, Creamed Potatoes and Gravy, Mixed Veggies, Hot Roll, Strawberry Fruited Jell-O, Milk.

Friday
Fish and Bun with Chips, Tater Tots, Stack of Trimmings, Chilled Peaches, Milk.

Menu subject to change without notice.

Bay Middle and Bay High Schools

BREAKFAST

Monday
Fruit Juice, Cinnamon Toast, Buttered Grits, Milk.

Tuesday
Banana, Cereal, Buttered Toast, Milk.

Wednesday
Orange Juice, Hash Brown, Scrambled Eggs, Milk.

Thursday
Fruit Juice, Muffin, Buttered Grits, Milk.

Arts, crafts, food festival featured at Hancock High

Hancock High School will host an Arts, Crafts and Food Festival Saturday, March 9.

Many crafters from surrounding states will be exhibiting crafts such as wood work, pastel portraits and air brush work. Booths will be set up for face painting, animal balloons and pictures with the Easter Bunny.

Restaurateurs will be in outside food booths preparing barbecue, poboys, seafood, pizza, flaming desserts and much more.

The festival will be from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Hancock High School is located on Stennis Drive, off

Friday
Fruit Juice, Buttered Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Milk.

LUNCH

Monday
Taco Salad or Steak Sandwich, Chips, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Buttered Corn, Fruit Salad, Milk.

Tuesday
Chicken Gumbo or Hamburger with Chips, Potato Salad, Stack of Trimmings, Chilled Peaches, Saltine Crackers, Milk.

Wednesday
Hot Roast Beef, Poboys with Gravy, Stack of Trimmings, French Fries, Buttered Green Peas, Devil's Food Delight, Milk.

Thursday
Sloppy Jo or Country Fried Steak, Steamed Rice, Broccoli with Cheese, Pear Salad, Hot Roll, Milk.

Friday
Fish on Bun with Chips or Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Mixed Vegetables, Buttered Corn, Stack of Trimmings, Hot Roll, Carrot Cake, Milk.

Menu subject to change without notice.

Saint Clare School

Monday
Beef Patties, Creamed Potatoes with Brown Gravy, English Peas, Bread, Milk.

Tuesday
Beef Stew, Steamed Rice, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit Mix, Homemade Bread, Milk.

Wednesday
Staff Development. No School.

Thursday
Creole Macaroni, Green Salad, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Friday
Fish Sticks with Tartar Sauce, Tater Tots with Catsup, Vegetarian Beans, Cake, Milk.

Menu subject to change.

Bay Catholic School

Monday
Hamburger on Bun, Lettuce, Pickle, Cheese, French Fries, Peaches, Milk.

Tuesday
Tony's Pepperoni Pizza,

Tossed Salad, Buttered Corn, Cherry Crisp, Milk.

Wednesday

No School.

Thursday
Roast Beef Poboys, Lettuce, Pickle, Tomato, Tater Tots, Banana Pudding, Milk.

Friday
Fish Wedge, Cheesy Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Sliced Bread, Milk.

Menu subject to change without notice.

Pass Christian Schools

BREAKFAST

Monday
Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk.

Tuesday
Biscuit, Sausage, Juice, Milk.

Wednesday
Toasted Eggs, Juice, Milk.

Thursday
Blueberry Muffin, Juice, Milk.

Friday
Toast, Grits, Juice, Milk.

LUNCH

Monday
Hot Dogs with Chili, Fries, Spinach, Corn, Vanilla Wafers, Milk.

Tuesday
Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes with Tomato Gravy, Blackeyed Peas, Mixed Fruit, Roll, Milk.

Wednesday
Red Beans with Rice, Sausage, Coleslaw, Fruited Jello Salad, Chocolate Fudge Delight, Milk.

Thursday
Sloppy Joes, Fries, Mixed Veggies, Baker's Choice, Milk.

Friday
Codfish Sandwich, Stack of Trimmings, Tater Sauce, Fries, Fruit Cup, Seasoned Green Beans, Milk.

Hancock County School District

BREAKFAST

Monday
Assorted Cereal, Orange Juice, Buttered Toast, Milk.

Tuesday
Oatmeal, Country Ham, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

Wednesday
Pancakes with Syrup, Sausage Links, Mixed Fruit, Milk.

Thursday
Buttered Grits, Scrambled Eggs, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Friday
Assorted Cereal, Hot Rolls, Apple Juice, Milk.

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WEDDINGS, ENGAGEMENTS

LaFontaine-Ramond

Kimberly Rae Fricke Ramond of Bay St. Louis and Robert Dale LaFontaine of Bay St. Louis exchanged marriage vows on February 16 at 3 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Marquar. The bride is the daughter of Clyde Fricke of Bay St. Louis and Virginia Castrogiovanni of Gulfport. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Owen LaFontaine of Waveland.

Officiating at the wedding was District 1 Supervisor Robert Peterson.

The bride, wearing an ankle length peach and white printed dress, was given in marriage by her father.

Angelia Bourgeois was the bride's attendant. Terrell LaFontaine was the best man.

Serving as ring bearer was Jeremie Ramond. A reception followed the ceremony at the Marquar's residence.

The LaFontaines will be making their home in Waveland.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT LAFONTAINE

Watercolor workshop held at PRC

Artist Brent Funderburk will be featured on the Pearl River Community College campus, Thursday, March 7 in conjunction with PRC's Spring Arts Series.

Funderburk, associate professor of art at Mississippi State University, will give a computerized multi-image presentation with music and poetry at the 11 a.m. interdisciplinary art performance in Moody Hall Auditorium.

The presentation is open to the public and there is no admission charge.

Funderburk will also conduct a "Hands-on-Color-Workshop," which is a basic watercolor class, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. There is a \$25 workshop fee and supplies are furnished.

The day-long watercolor workshop is also open to the public. To register, call 795-6801, ext. 393.

Serio-Ladner

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel L. Ladner Jr. of Ansley announce the engagement of their daughter, Rayne L. Ladner, to Alfred F. Serio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Serio Jr. of Waveland.

Miss Ladner is a 1988 graduate of Bay Senior High School. She received a degree from Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Jefferson Davis campus, in 1990.

Mr. Serio was graduated from Bay Senior High School in 1984 and Pearl River Community College in 1986. He is employed with Avondale Marine in Gulfport.

Main Street United Methodist Church will be the setting for the April wedding.

Magnolias offer poboys March 7

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Tetreault-Garb

Sammie Nichol Schauntau Garb of Waveland became the bride of Airman John Michael Tetreault of Pope Air Force Base, North Carolina, in a January 31 wedding ceremony in Fayetteville, N.C.

The bride is the daughter of Ginger Gardner of Waveland and Gary Garb of New Iberia, La. The groom's parents are

Charlane D. Tetreault of Waynesboro, Virginia and Roland J. Tetreault of Arnold, Maryland.

Airman Tetreault attended Waynesboro High School and is serving in the United States Air Force. Mrs. Garb attended Bay Senior High School and plans to study at the University of North Carolina.

The couple resides in Fayetteville.



AIRMAN AND MRS. JOHN M. TETREAULT

Evora-Comeaux

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll J. Comeaux of Bay St. Louis and New Orleans announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Carolyn Rene Comeaux, to Orlando Luis Evora of St. Petersburg, Florida.

Miss Comeaux is a graduate of Our Lady Academy. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Louisiana State University and a Juris Doctor with honors from Florida State University College of Law.

She is employed with the State of Florida, 9th Judicial Circuit, in Orlando.

Mr. Evora is a graduate of Gibbs High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla. and a Juris Doctor with honors from Florida State University College of Law.

He is employed with the law firm of Gray, Harris and Robinson P.A. in Orlando, Fla.

Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church will be the setting for the Friday, April 5 marriage at 7:30 in the evening.



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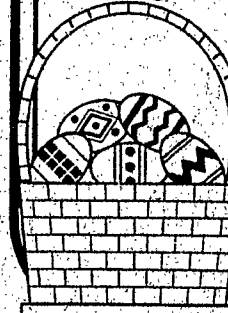
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SHOPPING UP A STORM

By Katy
McGuire Caire

So many delicious dishes start with already-cooked meats that it behooves any savvy cook to "buy big" at the meat counters, in order to have "planned-overs" on hand for succeeding meals!

And, with special prices on roasts of various sorts at our area supermarkets just now, you may be sure that this frugal cook is all set to take fullest advantage!

For example, one of the best buys in any meat market is the whole pork butt (or Boston Butt or pork shoulder roast, or however you like to identify it). You may cook this whole, using leftovers for subsequent meals; or you may prefer to slice some of the butt into pork steaks (quite as tasty as a bit more costly pork chops) or cut into cubes for kebabs, or strips for stir-fry or whatever. Here's a basic way to cook:

ROAST PORK SHOULDER

6-lb. pork shoulder
Salt, pepper
1 clove garlic, cut
Sage, optional
Place the roast, fat side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan, and season as you like with salt and pepper. Rub with the garlic and a little sage if you wish (I always use the sage.)

Roast uncovered without added liquid in a 325-degree oven for, say three hours, perhaps another half hour more, or until done. Let stand for 15 minutes, then remove to a hot platter while you make sauce or gravy from the drippings. (Four servings)

You might want to serve leftovers as pork sandwiches, or cold pork roast pork slices with cheese and such as a "cold plate" supper. Or you might do as I like to do and serve:

QUICK SWEET-SOUR PORK

2 cups chunks of leftover pork

1 medium onion, sliced lengthwise
1 cup thinly sliced carrots
1 large bell (green) pepper, cut into strips
1 Tbsp. oil
1 1/4 Tbsp. cornstarch
1 cup chicken broth
1/4 cup cider vinegar
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 can (13 1/2 oz.) pineapple tidbits, drained

Saute the onion, carrots and bell pepper in the oil, stirring, for three minutes or until crisp-tender, then remove. Brown the pork pieces, pouring off any fat which accumulates. Combine the cornstarch, broth, vinegar and brown sugar, and bring to a boil, stirring the while. Simmer for a few minutes, then combine with the vegetables, pork and pineapple and heat. (Four to six servings.)

Or, try, quicker-than-quick: **STOVE-TOP BARBECUED PORK ON BUNS**

1/4 cup chopped bell (green) pepper
1 Tbsp. chopped onion
1 Tbsp. oil
2 cups diced or shredded or chopped leftover pork
2/3 cup catsup
1 Tbsp. prepared mustard
3 Tbsp. brown sugar
1 Tbsp. Worcestershire
Dash of salt

Saute the bell pepper and onion in the oil for only a couple of minutes, then add the pork, along with catsup, mustard and sugar, the Worcestershire, salt, water, and a dash of hot pepper sauce if you wish (I do!) Cook over low heat, stirring from time to time, for 15 minutes, or until thick. Serve on buns (or hot French bread). (Six servings)

Or, just heat the pork up in bottled barbecue sauce if you're feeling super-lazy!

So much for the Boston Butt or other pork roast! I'm also

Diamondhead Riding Club

By Joyce Badgett

February 9 was a bright and sunny day and 11 Diamondhead Riding Club riders and horses were dressed in red, white and blue for the Diamondhead Mardi Gras parade.

Diamondhead Riding club members were recognized for state accomplishments in the Mississippi Quarter Horse Association: Wilma Dickey, High Point Hunt Seat Equitation; Debbie Whitfield, Reserve Hunt Seat Equitation; Heather Lott, 1990 All Around Youth Champion High Point—Showmanship, Horsemanship, Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Hunter Hack, Tail and Working Hunter; Reserve All Around—Western Riding and Reining.

The Dixie National, the third largest horse show in the world, was held in Jackson in February. Heather Lott was presented Mississippi Youth All Around Award, which was a Sundowner Horse Trailer from Lauderdale Trailer and Tractor Co. in Meridian. She was also presented with a dozen roses from MQHA president Blain Butzburger.

At the Dixie National, Lott placed first in Working Cow Horses, second in Showmanship and eighth in Hunter Under Saddle.

DRC will hold its next meeting in March at which time a Show Ring Fashion Show will be presented.

For information, call the Diamondhead Stables, 255-9707, or Joyce Badgett, 255-7576.

Art students honored

A ceremony to honor winning students at the state level of the National Scholastic Art Awards Contest was held Feb. 2 at the Murrah High School Auditorium in Jackson.

A reception followed at the Museum of Art for students, their parents and teachers.

Hancock High Students Jennifer Richard, 9th grade; Leah Morgan, 10th grade; and Jo Anna Ladner, 10th grade; received certificates of merit for their winning art work, which was exhibited at the museum through Feb. 24.



Jo Anna Ladner, Billie Shool, art instructor; and Jennifer Richard

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Mr. and Mrs. Keith Johnson of Columbus announce the birth of their first child, Carly JoAnn, February 18, 1991 at 6:10 p.m. at Golden Triangle Regional Medical Center in Columbus. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

Mrs. Johnson is the former Stephanie A. Cuevas.

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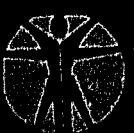
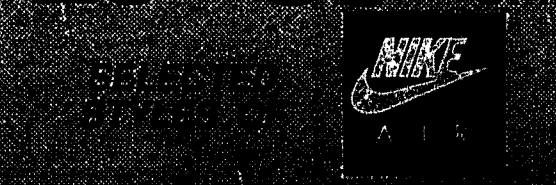


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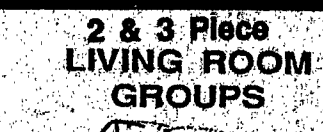
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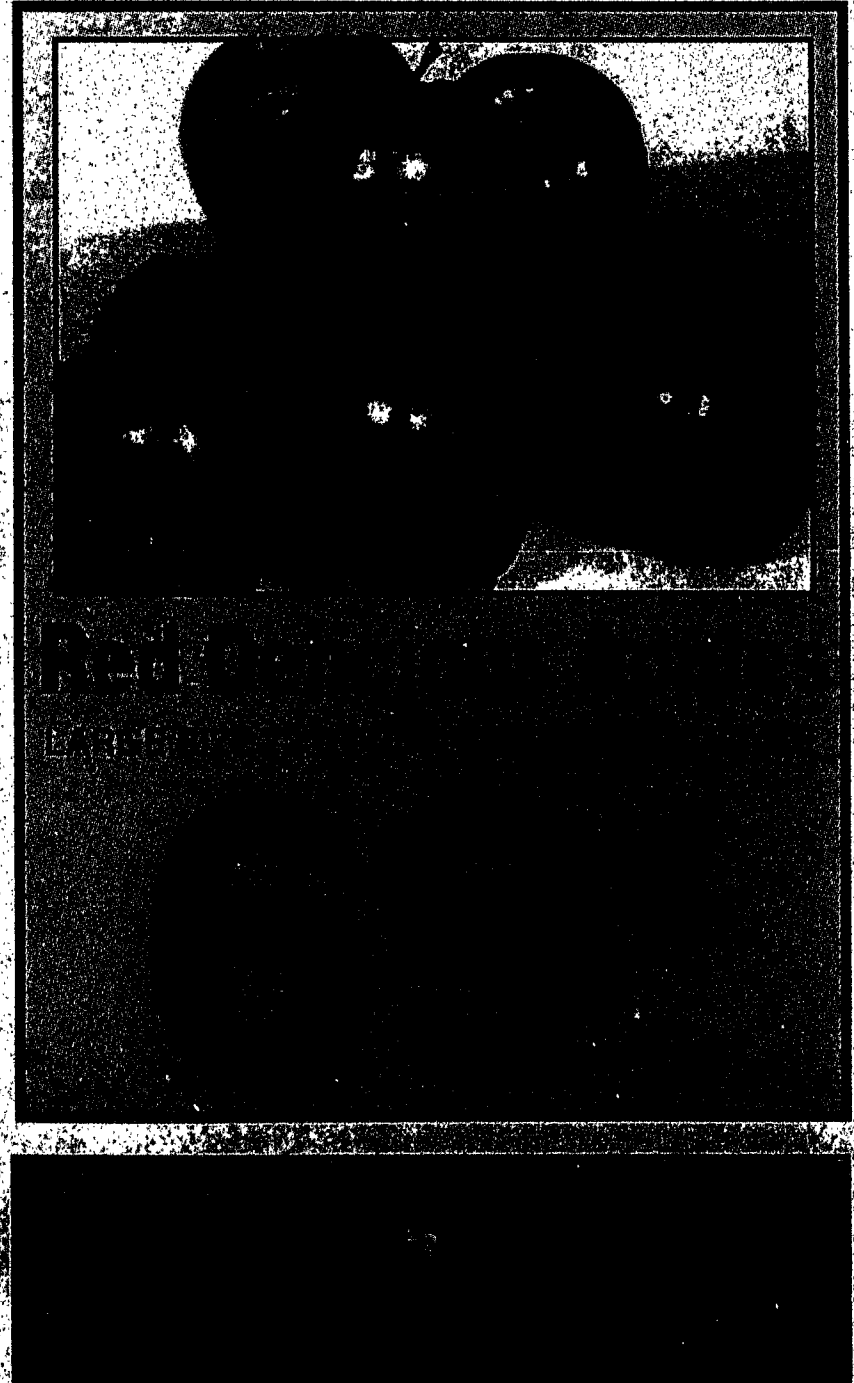


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